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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Vitaliy Arkadyevich LIVSHITS et al.

SERIAL NO: 09/466,935

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FOR: NOVEL THREONINE RESISTANCE GENE

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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment and Request for Reconsideration w/Marked-Up Copy in the above-identified application.

- No additional fee is required
- Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. §1.9 and §1.27 is claimed.
- Additional documents filed herewith: Copy of U.S. Patent No. 5,272,071

The Fee has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS	CLAIMS REMAINING		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID	NO. EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	CALCULATIONS
TOTAL	26	MINUS	20	6	× \$18 =	\$108.00
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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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SIR:

In response to the Official Action dated November 2, 2001, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as shown in the attached marked-up copy to read as follows:

--11. (Amended) An isolated bacterium belonging to the genus *Escherichia*, wherein L-threonine resistance of said bacterium is modified to increase an activity of a protein which makes the bacterium harboring the protein L-threonine-resistant, and wherein the protein comprises the amino acid sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: 4.

12. (Amended) The bacterium according to claim 11, wherein said bacterium is further modified to increase an activity of a protein which makes the bacterium harboring the protein L-homoserine-resistant, and wherein the protein comprises the amino acid sequence shown in SEQ ID NO: 2.